

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please add the following new section on page 1, prior to the heading "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION":

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/147,266, entitled BULKHEAD PANEL FOR USE IN A COMBUSTION CHAMBER OF A GAS TURBINE ENGINE, filed May 14, 2002, By Monica Pacheco-Tougas et al., now U.S. Patent No. 6,751,961.